

**RESOLUTION 2000-39-CM**

**RESOLUTION TO RECOMMEND THE ALIGNMENT FOR THE HOOSIER  
HEARTLAND CORRIDOR THROUGH TIPPECANOE COUNTY**

**WHEREAS** the Board of Commissioners of the County of Tippecanoe believes that the Hoosier Heartland Highway will be beneficial to all citizens of Tippecanoe County; and

**WHEREAS** the Area Plan Commission is the agency charged with the responsibility of adopting a long range Transportation Plan, in concert with the communities' long term goals and objectives; and

**WHEREAS** in consideration of the Transportation Plan, Thoroughfare Plan and Land Use Plan, the Hoosier Heartland Highway is an integral part of the Comprehensive Plan; and

**WHEREAS** the Area Plan Commission and County Highway Department has determined through review of the proposed corridor alignments that only one route adjusted from the O-WA alignment will satisfactorily carry out the goals and objectives of the Comprehensive Plan; and

**WHEREAS** the recommended route is supported by the Area Plan Commission of Tippecanoe County and the Tippecanoe County Highway Department.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF  
TIPPECANOE COUNTY, THE GOVERNING BODY OF TIPPECANOE COUNTY:**

**THAT** After due consideration of the corridor alternatives proposed for the Hoosier Heartland Highway,

The Board of Commissioners now puts forward as its recommended corridor the alternative developed and presented by the Area Plan Commission for the Hoosier Heartland Corridor and supported by the Tippecanoe County Highway Department based on a modified O-WA alignment as shown on the attached map and for reasons stated in the accompanying document; and

**THAT** a route adjacent to the Norfolk Southern railroad tracks, substantially combines two major transportation corridors into one safer multi-modal corridor allowing at-grade rail crossings to be closed or bridged from the 1-65 interchange to 900 E and beyond; and

**THAT** this route will minimize agricultural land severance and minimize disruption of the steep and wooded slopes and areas more suited to rural residential development and environmentally sensitive flood plains; and

**THAT** the Board of Commissioners asserts that, due to location, safety and environmental consideration, alternatives P-W, T-W, O-WB, and O-WC fail to meet the goals and objectives of the Comprehensive Plan for Tippecanoe County, Indiana, its Thoroughfare Plan and Long Range Transportation Plan; and

**THAT** the Board of Commissioners does now put forward as its recommended corridor the modified O-WA alignment shown in the attached map and documentation; and

**THAT** the proposed, modified route best meets the goals and objectives of the adopted Comprehensive Plan for Tippecanoe County and the Long Range Transportation Plan.

Adopted and passed this 20<sup>th</sup> day of November 2000.

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Ruth Shedd, President

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John Knochel, Vice President

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Kathleen Hudson, Member

Attest:

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Robert A. Plantenga, Auditor of Tippecanoe County